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In re Patent Application of:)
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Nathan RAVI)
) Examiner: TBD
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Title: HYDROGEL NANOCOMPOSITES FOR)
OPHTHALMIC APPLICATIONS)

REQUEST TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests correction of inventorship to remove Hyder Ali Aliar (miss named as Aliyar H. Ali) as an inventor. A Declaration executed by the remaining inventor, Dr. Nathan Ravi; a Statement by Hyder Ali Aliar; and fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) are filed herewith.

In the event there are any questions relating to this Request or to the application in general, it would be appreciated if the Examiner would telephone the undersigned attorney concerning such questions so that the prosecution of this application may be expedited.

Please charge any shortage or credit any overpayment of fees to BLANK ROME LLP,
Deposit Account No. 23-2185 (111828-00137). In the event that a petition for an extension of
time is required to be submitted herewith and in the event that a separate petition does not
accompany this response, Applicants hereby petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of
time for as many months as are required to render this submission timely.

Any fee due is authorized above.

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STATEMENT FROM HYDER ALI ALIYAR

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Sir:

I am Hyder Ali Aliyar, a named inventor (miss named as Aliyar H. Ali) in the above-identified patent application and its corresponding international application (PCT/US2004/028637). This statement is file in support of my removal as an inventor. Although I was a research scientist working under the direction of Dr. Nathan Ravi and was a co-author on several publications with Dr. Ravi, I did not contribute to the conception of the invention claimed in the above-identified patent application. Therefore, I support the removal of my name as an inventor in the application. Further, my naming as an inventor in the international application was an error and occurred without intention on my part.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 10 March 2007.

Hyder Ali Aliyar